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Applicant:

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

April 21, 2003

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated November 19, 2003 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 7-11 and 13-23.

The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

- <u>NO</u> extensions of time have been previously obtained for responding to the Final Rejection. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required for the <u>full period</u> of the above-requested extension of time.
- An extension of one (1) month(s) for responding to the Final Rejection was previously requested and paid for on March 19, 2003. Thus a fee of \$300.00 is required to obtain an additional one (1) month(s) for filing the Notice of Appeal.

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	Applicant	claims	small	entity	status.	See	37	C.F.R.	§	1.27.	,
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Respectfully submitted,

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